



Florida—Community Programs

Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan Program

Academy at the Farm Expands to New Facility

Outline Of Need:

Academy of the Farm, Inc. (AATF), a non-profit Charter School, located in Dade City, Florida, needs renovations to expand classrooms necessary to meet the educational needs of current and future students. The current school facilities is unable to accommodate the growing demand. Presently, the school enrolls 440 charter students and 40 Pre-K students.

How Rural Development Helped:

Provided a guaranteed loan to expand the charter school, to accommodate student population growth, in addition to the school serving a majority of it's students from rural areas in Pasco County.

The Results:

The school replaced 10 existing leased modular buildings with two large 15,000 sf modular buildings, and added a third 2,500 sf building for administrative staff and to purchase the adjacent 9.8 acres. The replacement building contains 14 classrooms and lab rooms, which allows the school to increase its enrollment to 500 charter students and 60 Pre-k students. These improvements also includes,

Fast Facts:

Program: Community Program — Community Facilities
Guaranteed Loan Program

Investment: \$4,050,000 Loan

Date of Obligation: March 10, 2015

Partners: Academy at the Farm, Inc.

Demographics: Dade City, Florida

Congressional District: Rep Gus Bilirakis FL-12

Senator's Last Names: Nelson and Rubio

Impact: These improvements provided additional classrooms and administrative space at the expanding charter school.



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